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Dear Ms. Robin Sweeney:

My Comments of File Department of Energy of its intent to prepare an environmental impact statement is as follows:

I am one of the closest resident to Agass Mountain and of having a ranch in Oasis Valley and have natural Spring water and the Amargosa River passes thru and by my ranch.

Betty Wash was just one of the tributaries that took out the highway U.S. 95 at my ranch area and south of Betty of the flood of 1969.

I thus would not be in favor of the rail alignment of so near to water ways that feed into the Amargosa river that flows thru Betty and Amargosa and to Death Valley, California. The predominant winds of the North is also a factor.

Tourism in this area is also a factor.

I thus would take the "No Action Alternative."

Sincerely,

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